(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the construction has since been again taken up by the contractor and if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No Sir, (the work of East-West Corridor to connect Kota (stated as Jaipur in question) to Kanpur was never held up).

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The East West Corridor is likely to be completed by December 2008.

New Road Policy

2825. SHRI SURESH BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether government have formulated any new Road Policy for development, expansion and maintenance of National Highways in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether National Highway No. 22 is covered in the policy;

(d) if so, whether Government have any proposal for widening/four laning of National Highway No.22 beyond Ambala; and

(e) if so, the details thereof indicating the destination?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(c) and (e) Do not arise as there is no new policy. However, under existing policy National Highway No.22 is to be developed/being developed as indicated hereunder:

(i) Ambala-Zirakpur Section of National Highway No. 22:

Work of widening to four lane has been awarded in June, 2005. Agreement was signed on the 16th November, 2005. Construction period is 30 months.

(ii) Zirakpur-Kalka-Parwanoo Section of National Highway No. 22:

Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the work of widening to four lane from Zirakpur to end of Pinjore-Kalka-Parwanoo bypass is being up dated and preparation of bid document has been taken up.

(iii) Parwanoo-Shimla stretch of NH. 22:

The work of updating of DPR for four laning of Parwanoo-Solan section and two lane with paved shoulder of Solan-Shimla section of NH-22 has been taken up. Likely date of updating of DPR is July, 2006

Funds allocated for Jammu and Kashmir

2826. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount given to Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years, year-wise, under the Central Road Fund Schemes; and

(b) the major works done under the schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) A sum of Rs. 73.84 crore has been released to the State Govt. of J&K under Central Road Fund during last 3 years. Break up is as given below:

Year	Amount released (Rs. in crores)
2003-04	14.65
2004-05	20.56
2005-06	38.63
TOTAL:	73.84

(b) Numbers and amount of major works, costing Rs 5 crores and above, sanctioned during last three years under CRF are given below. The details are given in the enclosed statement (*See* below) No major work has been completed under CRF so far.